MINUTES ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD SEPTEMBER 15, 2020 VIRTUAL EQB MEETING

Official EQB Approved On November 10, 2020

Notice of Public Meeting – The Environmental Quality Board (Board) convened for a Virtual Regular Meeting at 9:30 a.m. This meeting was held in accordance with 25 O.S. Section 311, with notice of the meeting given to the Secretary of State on October 16, 2019. The agenda was mailed to interested parties on August 30, 2019 and was posted at the DEQ and the facility on September 4, 2020. Mr. Jimmy Kinder, Chair, called the meeting to order. Mr. Kinder welcomed new Board member, John Easton. Ms. Fields called roll and a quorum was confirmed.

MEMBERS PRESENT	DEQ STAFF PRESENT
Mark Barton	Scott Thompson, Executive Director
John Easton	Jimmy Givens, Deputy Executive Director
Shannon Ferrell	Rob Singletary, General Counsel
David Griesel	Malcolm Zachariah, Air Quality Division
Tracy Hammon	Christina Hagens, Air Quality Division
Ken Hirshey	Erin Hatfield, Office of External Affairs
Alexie Kindrick	Skylar McElhaney, Office of External Affairs
Jan Kunze	Kathy Aebischer, Administrative Services Division
Steve Mason	Quiana Fields, Board & Council Secretary
Tim Munson	St
Mike Paque	
Billy Sims	

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jimmy Kinder

OTHERS PRESENT

None

Jennifer Lewis, Office of the Attorney General Jennifer Kaelin, Court Reporter

Approval of Minutes – Mr. Griesel moved to approve the Minutes from the February 21, 2020 Regular Meeting. Mr. Paque made the second.

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Mark Barton	Yes	Jan Kunze	Yes
John Easton	Yes	Steve Mason	Yes
Shannon Ferrell	Yes	Tim Munson	Yes
David Griesel	Yes	Mike Paque	Yes
Tracy Hammon	Yes	Billy Sims	Yes
Ken Hirshey	Yes	Jimmy Kinder	Yes
Alexie Kindrick	Yes	•	

Executive Director's Report – Mr. Thompson, Executive Director of the DEQ, discussed current agency accomplishments, activities and legislative updates.

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Budget Update and Financial Overview (FY 2021) – Ms. Kathy Aebischer, Chief Financial Officer of the DEQ, gave an update on the FY 2021 budget.

transcript pages 27 - 36

DEQ Operational Budget Request (FY 2021) – Ms. Aebischer gave a presentation on the DEQ budget requests. The operational budget request for SFY 2022 must be submitted to OMES by

October 1, 2020. Mr. Kinder called for a motion. Dr. Ferrell moved to approve and Mr. Munson made the second.

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Mark Barton	- Yes	Jan Kunze	Yes
John Easton	Yes	Steve Mason	Yes
Shannon Ferrell	Yes	Tim Munson	Yes
David Griesel	Yes	Mike Paque	Yes
Tracy Hammon	Yes	Billy Sims	Yes
Ken Hirshey	Yes	Jimmy Kinder	Yes
Alexie Kindrick	Yes	-	

Indian Country Update – Mr. Rob Singletary, General Counsel of the DEQ, gave an update regarding environmental regulation in Indian country.

transcript pages 45-51

Calendar Year 2021 Board Meeting Dates and Locations – Mr. Kinder opened the floor for discussion regarding the Board meeting CY 2021 dates and locations. Mr. Griesel made a motion to approve the 2021 Board meeting dates and locations for Friday, February 19 in Oklahoma City; Tuesday, June 8 in Oklahoma City; Tuesday, September 14 in Altus and Tuesday November 9 in Bartlesville. Mr. Sims made the second.

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Mark Barton	Yes	Jan Kunze	Yes
John Easton	Yes	Steve Mason	Yes
Shannon Ferrell	Yes	Tim Munson	Yes
David Griesel	Yes	Mike Paque	Yes
Tracy Hammon	Yes	Billy Sims	Yes
Ken Hirshey	Yes	Jimmy Kinder	Yes
Alexie Kindrick	Yes	-	

New Business - None

Next Meeting - The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2020.

Adjournment – Mr. Kinder called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Munson moved to adjourn and Dr. Hammon made the second. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

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Mark Barton	Yes	Jan Kunze	Yes
John Easton	Yes	Steve Mason	Yes
Shannon Ferrell	Yes	Tim Munson	Yes
David Griesel	Yes	Mike Paque	Yes
Tracy Hammon	Yes	Billy Sims	Yes
Ken Hirshey	Yes	Jimmy Kinder	Yes
Alexie Kindrick	Yes	-	

The transcript become an official part of these Minutes.

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OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD MEETING

September 15, 2020, 9:30 a.m.

conducted via teleconference

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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REPORTED BY: Jennifer Payne Kaelin, CSR

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               BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:
                                                                       CALL TO ORDER 9:42 A.M.
     MR. JIMMY KINDER. CHAIRMAN
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                                                                                   MR. JIMMY KINDER: Well, I'm going to go ahead
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     DR. TRACY HAMMON, VICE-CHAIR
                                                                       and start. I think we've got most everyone in place. And,
     MR. DAVID GRIESEL
                                                                       of course, these Zoom meetings are always -- something new
     MR. TIM MUNSON
                                                                       thrown at you all the time. And so I will just say that the
     MS. JAN KUNZE
                                                                       staff has done a great job of trying to put this all
     MR. STEVE MASON
                                                                       together and we just thank everyone for being here today.
     MR. MIKE PAQUE
                                                                            And so first, I want to call the meeting to order.
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     MR. BILLY SIMS
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                                                                       This is the September 15th, 2020, virtual regular meeting of
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                                                                       the Environmental Quality Board has called according to the
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     MR. MARK BARTON
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                                                                       Oklahoma Meetings Act, Section 311 of Title 45 of the
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     MR. JOHN EASTON
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     MR. KEN HIRSHEY
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     MS. ALEXANDRIA KINDRICK
                                                                       October 16th, 2019. Agendas were mailed out to the parties
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                                                                       on September 4th, 2020, and was posted at the DEQ on
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     ALSO PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:
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     MS. QUIANA FIELDS, Secretary of Board and Council
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     MS. JENNIFER LEWIS, Office of the Attorney General
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     MR. SCOTT THOMPSON, Executive Director, DEQ
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                                                                       be a public forum.
     MS. KATHY AEBISCHER, DEO Finance Office
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     MR. ROB SINGLETARY, General Counsel, DEQ
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     MS. CHRISTINA HAGENS, DEO Zoom Moderator
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     MR. MALCOLM ZACHARIAH, DEQ staff
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                                                                       approximate headcount and are appropriately prepared.
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    You will then be called on by the public forum moderator.
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    If for some reason the connection is lost during today's
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meeting, we will attempt to connection for 15 minutes. If

attempts are unsuccessful, the meeting will continue on September 16th, which is tomorrow, at 9:30 a.m. using the

same meeting ID, link and password, and the Agenda for the continuation will remain the same as today.

8 Hopefully everyone sees the pop-up. And if you don't

know want -- if you already answered, press "X" there and 9 10 get rid of it.

11 I will ask -- Christina, are you on the line? 12 MS. CHRSTINA HAGENS: Ves.

13 MR. JIMMY KINDER: She's going to give us kind 14 of a Zoom 101 and I -- we'll make sure that everyone knows 15 how to, you know, get around and talk and unmute yourself 16

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So, Christina, go ahead. 18 MS. CHRISTINA HAGENS: Sure. So for most of you, 19 you'll find most of your controls down at the bottom of your 20 screen. And so the most important ones are the "mute" and "unmute button," the "start" and "stop" video button. And 21 22 then under the "participant's tab" is where you'll be able

23 to raise your hand. 24 So during the two moments when we'll have members of

the public speaking, we will ask that you raise your hand in

going down to the bottom of the list and you'll see the little button that says "raise hand." And that will pop up on our list and then will identify you and call on you to 6 speak.

Now, if you're on a tablet or an iPad, these buttons are probably going to be at the top right-hand of your screen so you'll just have to look for the participant's tab and for mute, unmute, and start/stop video.

And then we have instructions up in case you have any issues and you can call our number if you have any technical problems.

And I think that's about it, Jimmy.

MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. Thank you.

And I will say that if you're a Board member, just unmute yourself and identify yourself. You don't have to raise your hand during the meeting. So you -- you have that ability to do it if you're a Board members.

So we also have a new member. John Easton is our new Board member, and I'd just ask him to kind of give us a short intro of who you are, John, and how you came to DEQ. MR. JOHN EASTON: I have been on the Bixby City

Council for almost 12 years now. Five of those I've served as mayor, six of those I've served as Vice-Mayor. I'm

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1	Page 6 serving as Vice-Mayor now.	1	Page
2	I own Easton Sod Farms, and we've done a lot of erosion	2	MR. DAVID GRIESEL: Here.
3	control around the state. And I was asked if I wanted to be	3	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Dr. Hammon.
4	a member and I said, "Sure."	-	MS. TRACY HAMMON: Here.
5	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Sometimes that's all it takes	4	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Hirshey.
6	is just a willing partner.	5	MR. KEN HIRSHEY: Here.
7	MR. JOHN EASTON: Yeah, that was you know, I	1	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Ms. Kindrick.
8	guess it was because of my municipal background and and	7 8	MS. KINDRICK: Here.
9	the other that I was asked to serve, so glad to.	-	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Ms. Kunze.
10	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Well, welcome. We'll	9	MS. JAN KUNZE: Here.
11		10	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Mason.
12	anticipate the day where we get to see you in person and you get to meet the rest of the people.	11	MR. STEVE MASON: Present.
13	1 1	12	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Munson.
14	So at this time, though, I will just turn it over to Quiana for a roll-call vote a roll call to see who's	13	MR. TIM MUNSON: Here.
15	here.	14	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Paque.
	Quiana. You're muted, Quiana.	15	MR. MIKE PAQUE: Here.
16 17		16	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Sims. Mr. Sims.
18	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Barton.	17	I'm sorry. I can't hear him.
19	MR. MARK BARTON: Yes, Mr. Barton is here.	18	MR. JIMMY KINDER: He's still muted.
	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Can you hear me?	19	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: He is.
20	MR. MARK BARTON: Yes, this I'm here.	20	Mr. Kinder.
21	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Easton.	21	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Did you say Mr. Kinder?
22 23	MR. JOHN EASTON: Yes.	22	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Yes.
	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Dr. Ferrell.	23	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Here.
24	DR. SHANNON FERRELL: Here.	24	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: We have a quorum.
25	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Griesel.	25	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. Thank you, Quiana.
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1	Glad to see everybody and	1	everyone has had their a number of these already, and
2	MS. JENNIFER LEWIS: This is oh, hi. This is	2	every one of them is uniquely different in usually a bad
3	Jennifer. Sorry to interrupt.	3	way. But thank you, guys.
4	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Yes. Go ahead, Jennifer.	4	So next on the Agenda is approval of the minutes. They
5	MS. JENNIFER LEWIS: Oh, I was thank you. I	5	were sent out. This is the minutes from February 21st of
6	was just wondering if Quiana could call again to get the	6	2020. And hopefully you've had a chance to look at those.
7	the ones that we didn't hear from. Because I couldn't tell	7	And if it is you guys, as well, I am open to listen to a
8	if it was computer cutting out or if if there were some	В	motion to accept the minutes.
9	members that were present on the video that I just didn't	9	MR. DAVID GRIESEL: Moved.
10	hear that I didn't hear them answer.	10	MR. MIKE PAQUE: Second. Paque second.
11	Would it be possible, Quiana, to call the ones that	11	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Who was the first?
12	didn't answer again? Or maybe it was just my video that cut	12	MR. DAVID GRIESEL: Griesel.
13	out. And so did did everyone answer that they're here?	13	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. We've got a motion and
14	MR. JIMMY KINDER: I heard everyone except	14	second. Any discussion from the Board on the minutes as
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	Billy. I don't know of anybody else.	15	presented?
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17 18 19 20	Billy. I don't know of anybody else. MR. MALCOLM ZACHARIAH: Mr. Sims is now unmuted. MR. BILLY SIMS: Yeah, I'm present. MS. JENNIFER LEWIS: Perfect. Thank you so much. MR. JIMMY KINDER: You're welcome.	16 17 18 19	(No audible response.) MR. JIMMY KINDER: I want to wait a little bit long than I usually do in person, because I know everyone has to hit the unmute button.
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                                                                                    MR. TIM MUNSON: Yes.
                MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay.
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                MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Now, I'm unmuted. It
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     won't -- it wouldn't let me unmute it. I have it now.
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                 MR. JIMMY KINDER: Quiana, we can hear you now.
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                 MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Okay. Mr. Barton.
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                MR. MARK BARTON: Yes.
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                 MS. OUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Easton.
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                 MR. JOHN EASTON: Abstain since I wasn't here
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     for those meetings.
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                 MS. OUIANA FIELDS: Dr. Ferrell.
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                 DR. SHANNON FERRELL: Yes.
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                                                                        Director's Report from Scott. We'll turn it back to you.
                 MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Griesel.
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                                                                        Turn it over to you, Scott, and let us know how we've been
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                 MR. DAVID GRIESEL: Yes.
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                 MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Dr. Hammon.
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                 DR. TRACY HAMMON: Yes.
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                                                                       has met several times just trying to check in to see how
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                 MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Hirshey.
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                                                                        things were going during Covid, and so we'll just enjoy that
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                MR. KEN HIRSHEY: Yes.
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                 MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Ms. Kindrick.
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                 MS. KINDRICK: Yes.
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                 MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Ms. Kunze.
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                                                                        challenges of our current situation with the Covid-19 and
                 MS. JAN KUNZE: Yes.
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                 MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Mason.
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                                                                        dedicated and persevered in terms of trying to keep
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                 MR. STEVE MASON: Yes.
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                                                                        everything going, getting the most critical job functions
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                 MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Munson.
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expectations in terms of, you know, to operate in this 2 environment.

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We have remained, for the most part, at about 20 percent in terms of staff in the office with the lab and finance folks. And most of the rest of our staff is able to operate remotely, and so that's been very helpful in terms of, you know, really continuing to get the work done. And some of our timelines on permitting and such have been -actually, I think been better in this situation than they were before.

So anyways, you know, the lab staff have been on a 12 rotating schedule because that's one of the most critical tasks that we do is to make sure that, especially drinking water samples are done, but some of the other samples that we have to analyze in order to keep systems in compliance and make sure that the water is safe. So they've done a great job.

And our local offices are out there continuing to respond to issues and complaints and provide services. And, you know, they've -- everybody is trying to do this in the safest way that we can using the appropriate distancing and personal protection gear.

One of the things that's going on over -- you know, we've talked about before is the "Leading the Way," our 25 strategic plan to determine whether we need to do a -- we're

looking at that to decide whether, based on our current work situation, if we need to adjust that in some way to adapt to 3 this work environment, so that's going to continue. 4

There's a new Superfund site that's been added to the national priorities list in Henryetta, Oklahoma. It's a metal salvage yard that's been there since the 1930s. If you've ever driven down, you know, the main drag in Henryetta, the business route of the highway, you probably drove right through this site because it was on both sides of the road. And it was not real popular with local 11 leadership and stuff, so we've worked on trying to find 12 solutions there for a long time.

And actually, in 2010, we identified some high 14 radiation in some drums there. And we worked with the EPA emergency response. Lloyd Kirk went out there personally and helped work on that, and our Superfund staff to get those removed and properly disposed of.

And in 2018, there was some additional contamination that was addressed through an emergency removal action in some yards and City right-of-way. The site was proposed in November of 2019, and there -- you know, basically, like any salvage yard, old salvage yard, there's a little bit of BCBs, polychlorinated biphenyls, and stuff like that, that show up. Not in super-high levels, but enough to warrant action.

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4 The Tulsa Fuels facility in Collinsville, Oklahoma, another Superfund site, is being proposed for deletion. So the public comment period closed on August 17th for that site. We're awaiting EPA's final determination. That site 7 was a former zinc smelter that produced zinc for World War 9 I. Oklahoma was a -- had quite a few smelters and some lead and zinc mining. But the reason they located the smelters 10 11 where they did was for the fuel sources. So they may be 12 remote from the actual mining of locations.

One of the -- reuse of the site was capped and vegetated with some native vegetation, and there's a -- a honey bee operation on top of the site now making honey, and the honey is very good. I've tried it, so -- and the EPA worked with us on that very closely to resolve that situation.

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You know, we've made our largest low-interest loan in the Brownfields Program, and that was made in partnership with the City of Tulsa. The City of Tulsa Brownfields Program also worked on this project in terms of making a loan.

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Page 15 Building. And that will pave the way for that property to

be reused as opposed to standing derelict for many more years.

4 The National Brownfields Conference is coming to town.

Now, it was originally scheduled for next spring. But the -- so technically it's still scheduled for April 26th

through the 30th, 2021. But there's some discussions

ongoing about moving that date back probably to September or 8

October. And when Lloyd finds out what that timeframe is going to be, and the Brownfield staff, then we will announce 10

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But I hope that it moves to the fall of next year, because that would be a great event for the City of Oklahoma City. It could mean, if it's a normal time, several thousand people attending from across the nation.

And I don't know if -- for those of you who have been 17 to our Brownfield Conferences that we've held before, we have very high-quality events. Hopefully those of you that have not, if we're able to host this event, then I would strongly encourage you to attend. It will be a very good deal and a nice showcase for Oklahoma City.

And partly as a result of that, maybe some of the other things that we've done, City of Oklahoma City awarded us a Hometown Hero Award, and Lloyd accepted that on our behalf the other day at an event in Oklahoma City, so that was

1 really nice. But the Brownfields Program is still going 2 strong.

And in the past quarter, you know, we get the Volkswagen Settle Fund from all the national settlement with Volkswagen over their mileage issues, the pollution control issues, but -- so we're like a trustee. We're not really the trustee, but we're the entity in Oklahoma that's the coordinator for this. It's not DEQ funds, but it's

pass-through money that we oversee and try to work with folks to get approved projects to do.

And so about 3.5 million of that has been made available as part of our "On the Road Program." And, you know, this will reimburse applicants to replace or repower on-the-road medium and heavy-duty trucks and buses. DEO will accept applications through September 30th for some additional funds.

And in addition, in the past quarter, through the VW Trust, DEO offered 1.1 million in grant funding for light-duty electrical vehicle charging stations at 15 locations across Oklahoma, and this will further expand the electric vehicle charging network across Oklahoma, which will help reduce air emissions and some of those problems that we could have.

The application period for this next round closes on -oh, closed on September 8th, so that -- that 1.1 million

closed on September 8th. So we'll see what projects get awarded out of that. But, yeah, there's -- there's quite a bit of activity using that fund.

But I -- I always try to caution, especially with the Legislature, that that's not DEQ money. Just because it shows up in our budget, it's not money we have in the bank, 7 especially money that you can take and use for anything else.

Water Quality is creating an online training library for certified water and wastewater operators so they can obtain professional development online. You know, we've had to adapt to move away from some of the in-person training we've always done, but I think this is a good thing. A lot of this, the things that we've had to learn on the fly to deal with the Covid-19 situation, are really, I think, going to be very beneficial in terms of productivity down the road that we're able to do, things in new and different ways.

And historically, we've been trying to work with, say, IT-type folks to build a perfect tool to do something. And we've been forced to find out what tools are available and learn how to use those, and it's actually working pretty well for most things.

So currently, we have topics ranging from specific rule requirements to broader operational topics, and working with NextThought, a Norman company, we're working with them to

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develop a broader training platform that will expand our capabilities for remote training and testing of operators.

Also, in Water Quality, the lab and ECLS have worked 3 4 together to complete our first round of lead testing in schools. We are currently working with EPA to identify funding that could be made available to schools if there are 7 action-level exceedances.

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We've routinely worked with schools on a -- especially 9 in RAD in schools and such. But some of the school systems 10 are a little scared because they didn't know what they were going to do to fix a problem if it's identified, and so we're working with EPA to try to identify funding to solve anything that's identified.

Normally, the kinds of things you run into are, like, 15 the drinking water fountains are really old and they have lead solder in them or something, so ...

We're also working with the Water Resources Board -- or 18 no, the Water Resource Center at OSU and its campaign to highlight various professions in the water field. And so watch for social media posts over the next few months. You know, I'm not a big social media guy, so some of the Board members and other folks will have to inform me when we do something really good on social media, so -- anyways, I'm sure that will go well.

Our staff, we've gotten a lot of compliments, and we've

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got some private entities who are studying how we do social media because our -- for having very little or no budget for that, our stuff seems to be pretty effective and maybe beyond what some of our peers in other states are doing. So that's another place where the staff are really just 5

stepping up and getting things done.

Water Quality, and our ECLS division, the Environmental Complaints and Local Services Divisions, are partnering with ODOT, the Turnpike Authority, and the General Contractor's Association to provide training and other technical assistance to road and bridge contractors to help them navigate the Clean Water Act, storm water permits that are required. DEQ has agreed to assist ODOT in updating design criteria to improve the cost effectiveness of best management practices.

So, you know, our former general counsel is over there as general counsel, so, you know, we expect her to actually solve all this stuff, but we'll see. But I think that's a good sign. We're all working together to try and make sure that everybody is compliant.

As far as the employee recognition, unfortunately, we -- you know, normally might try to have all these people in the room in a live meeting, but we're not doing so today. But I still wanted to give them a shout out and let you know about some of the good things that our staff are doing.

Libby McCaskill recently joined Keisha Cornelius. They're both in our radiation program on the Organization of Agreement States Board of National Organization that works on policy related to radiation.

Our participation in national organizations helps us stay in tune and ensures that Oklahoma has a voice on radiological concerns. You know, and we have some -- our folks are experts in the field, so it's -- it's important that we stay engaged at the national level.

You know, we have four employees of the quarter from 11 the last year, and they were not able to be here. But we'll try to invite them to the next meeting in Oklahoma City, make sure they get recognized in person. But Daniel Ross 14 from Air Quality Division; Laura Jardine from ECLS; Rick Felty from External Affairs; and Joshua Kalfas from Air Quality.

He was also selected as employee of the year. And I know Joshua has done a lot of work with ECOS, the Environmental Council of the States on some groups there, 19 20 and I get lots of positive comments about his contribution to those efforts, so...

And all of these folks are really solid. And, again, 23 to be employee of the quarter, you have to be nominated by your peers. It's not a management decision. Upper management picks from the four employees of the quarter for

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who's the employee of the year. But, you know, this is a great recognition from your fellow staff members.

And, also, I want to thank Malcolm Zachariah, from Air Quality, for putting a lot of work into making this Board meeting possible via Zoom. Thanks, Malcolm.

Most of you have been on the practice calls so we can try to make sure we can even make our stuff work, and he's done a great job. As well as Christina, who's helping moderate some of this stuff. So thank you to you two for your efforts.

All right. Now, we've had a few retirements in the last few months or upcoming before our next meeting. So Terry Lyhane, from Water Quality, retired at the end of July. He had actually worked at the Water Resources Board. I knew him back then, which kind of tells you how old I am a little bit.

He left DEQ in -- or I guess when DEQ got created, he was absorbed. That part of the Water Board became part of DEQ. So in '93, he left, went into private sector, consulted for around 20 years doing a lot of different things. And then he -- we were able to lure him back to DEO to help us out as we started some transition to our current way of doing business and focusing on customer service, et cetera.

So he's really helped a lot, brought a lot of common

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sense and experience to the regulatory process. He was
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Eddie Terrill has also decided to retire. His last day in the office is next week, but his official retirement is at the end of October. So he's had a very long career in public service. He's been our Air Quality Division Director for over 20 years, and he's probably the longest serving division director currently in the agency, so he's done a lot of great things for us and we wish him well. And I'm 12 kind of even jealous actually, so ...

He helped build an advanced, highly-skilled staff and -- you know, our -- our staff really, I get lots of kudos in all programs from people at the national level who see what gets done across the country. So virtually in all of our programs, our staff are really stepping up and are leaders across the country, so...

And then finally, Fenton Rood, who looks the same as the day he hired me in 1980 something, so -- or almost the same. Anyways, he's retiring the end of October, I think. He's been around for forever. And, you know, he's -- he's the Assistant Director of the Land Protective Division currently.

And on Saturday mornings, if you want to look him up,

Page 23 you can find him playing quitar and singing at the OSU-OKC Farmer's Market most weekends.

Fenton also has a passion for volunteer work. He serves as the current board president for the Tree Bank Foundation and he was the past president for Keep Oklahoma Beautiful. He's really helped a lot at DEQ.

And one of my favorite memories of Fenton's volunteer work was he got us doing the Woody Guthrie Festival and doing recycling. And some up-and-coming young folks, you know, there's pictures of them standing in dumpsters recycling everything. And many of those folks are still out there, out in the field now working professionally, so that's really cool.

Anyways, I think that's the end of my presentation. And I can take questions and then after that we can pitch it to Kathy.

MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. Thank you. Any comments or questions from the Board?

I guess I've got maybe something -- a couple things I want to talk about, is that, first of all, I could tell from the way the staff took ownership of this meeting, trying to make sure it was going to work well. I was teasing them yesterday that they're making me nervous because they were checking, making sure every little detail was taken care of, and lot of times it wasn't actually in their job description

to be doing that. But they reached across and made sure that everything was working well. And so I'm assuming that 3 that also works with projects.

4 And kudos to Scott for you having -- letting the 5 building have that atmosphere of a "can do" and working across the halls making sure that everyone is successful. 6

I will ask one question about, you know, I guess last February -- man, it seems like over a year ago now, we were talking about the building. And so we've had some things that have not happened, I guess, is the way to say it.

Scott, can you talk a little bit about the building, and -- and we had talked a little bit about that in 12 February, about the possibility of us moving.

MR. SCOTT THOMPSON: Right. There was -- there was some newspaper articles and stuff indicating we were moving to Sandridge. There was a lot of stuff going on with regard to that. But at the end, the laboratory could not relocate to Sandridge, and the situation just did not seem to really be the best fit.

So there were other agencies, other State entities who 21 really wanted to take our place and so that's what happened. So we are not moving to Sandridge.

We're looking at some other properties that might be 24 available. But, again, the sticking point is the cost to 25 relocate a laboratory. A modern laboratory is very

expensive now, anywhere from 500 to \$1,000 a square foot to build out. So even adapting an existing structure, if it's 2 perfectly designed for a laboratory, could be pretty costly because you have to have a lot of extra electrical capacity, as well as a lot of unique air handling capacity to try to 5 make sure that we can achieve the detection limits done on a parts per billion or maybe even parts per trillion that 8 we're having to try to get to these days.

So we're waiting on an engineering report that would identify what the costs might be to move the laboratory to another structure. I expected to have that already, but we have not. But it's being adapted to maybe pick some different facilities, so I'm -- I'm waiting on that currently. So there's not a plan to move for sure. There's no guarantee that we're actually going to move.

You know, baseline cost is to repair our garage or replace our garage in the 11 to \$13 million range has been estimated. So going out and purchasing a building and then maybe having to invest 20, 30 million bucks again to move the laboratory, it would be great. But I don't see how that's going to be funded if it's that kind of dollar figure, so...

Anyhow, we're just kind of waiting in a hold pattern to see what happens. We have some other people that want to visit with our building, et cetera. There's some interest

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   in our property, but the -- the value is checked out in an
   appraisal, and it was in the probably $11 million range,
   which doesn't really provide enough capital to cover too
   much of a move. So we're just going to carry on and see
   where this leads. But there's a chance that we would move
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many folks working remotely to do some repairs on the existing parking garage, and so we may be able to get a few more years life out of the garage with some continued repairs as long as we can afford to do that.

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And so working remotely has really been beneficial in that regard. And if we have to do more in the garage, then we could continue working remotely so that we don't have that large a need for the parking space. Unfortunately, there's not a lot of readily-available parking anywhere close to our building, but we continue to evaluate all those options.

MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. Thank you, Scott. 20 For the Board, is there any more questions? Did I hear 21

(No audible response.)

MR. JIMMY KINDER: I don't hear anyone speaking up. You're atypically quiet. Shocking.

25 So I guess we'll go on to -- if there's not anything more for Scott, we'll go on down to item number six. We'll talk about the budget update and the finance overview with Kathy Aebischer.

Kathy, I see you just popped up on my screen. Welcome. And show us the numbers, Kathy.

MS. KATHY AEBISCHER: Okay. Well, good morning, Mr. Chairman, and members of the Board. This is a time that we drill down into the budget for the current fiscal year and we highlight any legislative items that affected our budget. We also highlight any concerns that we potentially have that we'll just need to monitor throughout the year.

So if we look at this year's legislative results for general fund appropriations, so our State appropriations were decreased 11.41 percent or \$820,000. And in the chart below, it outlines kind of where we got to that amount. So our base, which from FY 2019 carry over to 2020, that line item received a 4.27 percent decrease, which was almost 300,000.

19 And if you remember, the legislators funded us \$500,000 last year to purchase lab equipment, and they deemed that as 20 21 a one-time, so we did not get that appropriation for this 22 current year.

And then also if you remember last year, they gave us 500,000 for the Rural Water Sustainable Infrastructure Program, 500,000, and that line item was reduced 4.27

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percent to \$478,668. So our total general fund appropriations is \$7,188,879.

Next slide, please. If you remember we put in a budget request last October for FY 2021 for the 13 million for us to build a parking garage and that was not approved.

Next slide, please. So some of the unknowns this year is we're just preparing that there could possibly be a general fund revenue failure, so we just monitor that throughout the year, see how the State's funds come in. But it's something for us to be aware of.

And then also, as Director Thompson was talking about, House Bill 2840 was passed, and it was just regarding the sale of DEQ building, another multi-agency relocations. So if that comes about, just any costs associated with that kind of where that's going to come from.

So if we can have the next slide. So our total budget, with all of our funding sources outlined in this chart, as we discussed, the general appropriations was reduced a little over 800,000.

Our revolving fund, which is our fees, our licenses, we have projected an increase of \$371,000. At the time of preparing this budget, which was before Covid, so we're just monitoring. This may not come to pass.

Other funds are licensing, educational fund, a little increase of 2,000. Hazardous penalties remaining the same.

Federal funds, we do have -- we estimated a large increase. We were anticipating to get several additional federal grants at the time preparing this budget. But as

time has passed, there's some delays in awarding those, so

those probably will not happen this year, but the expenditures probably will be into next year, just a

little -- a couple million that we know of at this time.

And then your Environmental Settlement Fund, which is your Volkswagen Settlement Fund, we're estimating \$820,000 less in projects being expended this fiscal year when we compare it to last year.

And then the Water Management Federal Fund is the OSE&E funds that we manage, and their budget remains the same.

If we go to the next slide. So I want to go down into each division and discuss kind of their budget. So Air Quality, they projected that their fees would increase 400 -- over 400,000 at that time. I think we're a little concerned that that won't happen, so we're just monitoring that with the current situation.

So if we go to the next slide, that outlines all the sources of funds for Air Quality. Their projected revolving fund of 13 million. We had some reserve from last fiscal year we're carrying over, which includes the Volkswagen Settlement funds of a little over a million.

Federal grants with Volkswagen, additional funds for

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this year, a little over eight million. And then penalty funds to fund the Deputy Reserve Program of \$13,000. So total funds for Air is 22,853,202. The distribution of Air Quality funds, their budget will be 18,505,348. 5

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And then we have projects that are being done in other divisions and then indirect costs of 2.6 million. We have a difference of 913,000 that will be used to support the public water supply programs.

If we go to the next slide and we compare Air's budget for last year compared to this year, the net decrease of \$743,000, and that's due to Volkswagen settlement. We're going to be doing less projects this current year that will 13 be expended.

So if we go to the next slide, in Land, these are the 15 outline of their revenue projections for the fee sources for Land. And when compared to last year and this year, they're projecting just a net \$25,000 less.

So if we go to the next slide, for Land, all of their funds, revolving funds of a little over 13 million. Federal funds, they were estimating 19 million. And as you see, other small funding sources with a reserve of 1.1. So a 22 total funds available of 34 million. Land's budget will be 23 30,791,448. And they have projects in other divisions that support the Land projects and indirect cost of 1.9.

So if we go to the next slide, we compare last year's

budget to this year's budget, a net increase of 7 million, and that's due to expected new federal grants, which some of

that, as we discussed, will not happen. Probably be pushed to FY 2022.

So the next slide, we look at Water Quality Division and their projected revenue. They projected a net decrease of 248,000 in revenue for this fiscal year. The industrial (Inaudible.) PDS is the major decrease.

If we go to the next slide, we see all of the funding sources for Water. Their revolving funds of 8.8 million. They're projecting federal funds of 8.7 million, State appropriations of 1.3, penalties 31,000, and then a reserve from last fiscal year of 1.3. So total funding sources in water is a little over 20 million. Other projects, their budget will be 15 million. And other projects and ECLS and the lab, and then indirect costs of 2.6.

So if we go to the next slide, we compare Water's budget of last year to this fiscal year, we have a net increase of \$485,000, and that's also due to anticipated new federal grants.

So if we go to the next slide, we look at the Environmental Complaints and Local Services Division. They have projected a net increase of \$10,000 when compared to last fiscal year, and that's within the highway remediation licenses and the septic pumpers and transporters.

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So if we go to the next slide and look at Environmental Complaints' total funding, we have revolving funds of 2.4, federal grants of 1.4, a reserve from last year of 46,000, some penalty funds for Deputy Reserve Program and septic grants of \$88,000. And then funds from other divisions that support the programs -- that they support the other divisions, and they have State appropriations of 3.2, so total funds of 10 million. Their budget is 8.3 with indirect costs of 1.8.

So if we go to the next slide and we compare last 11 year's budget to this year's budget for ECLS, it's a net 12 decrease of a minimal \$17,000. Let's see. And that's just a decrease in equipment needs for this fiscal year.

If we go to the next slide, for the State Environmental 15 Lab Services Division, they have projected a net decrease in revolving fund fees of 55,000 when we compare it to last fiscal year.

And if we go to the next slide, total funds that support this division is revolving funds of two million, federal grants of 871,000, State appropriations of 2.5, and then other funds that they do programs and projects that support other divisions and a reserve from last fiscal year 23 of 1.4 for total funds 8.9 million. Their budget is 7.6 million with 1.3 going to indirect costs.

If we go to the next slide, when we compare the lab's

budget last fiscal year to this fiscal year, it's a net increase of 132,000. That is mainly due to equipment purchase that we had to carry over from last fiscal year to this fiscal year.

Next slide, please. For the Administrative Services Division and information Technology, we have IDC from all of the divisions of 10 million. We do OSE&E accounting for 20,000. We have rent, copies, and other related projects and some federal grant awards for total funds of 15 million. ASD's budget is 15 million and penalties that go to other divisions to support projects is 220,000 and indirect costs of 8,265.

So if we go to the next slide, if we compare ASD's budget to last fiscal year, there's a net decrease of 931,000.

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21 So if we go to the next slide. Okay. And just to give 22 you an update before if you have questions on revenue 23 status, we just closed out August. So the first two months 24 of this fiscal year, we have a net decrease of 978,000 if we compare it to the same timeframe last fiscal year. And it's

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                                                                         Division. They're about $800,000 less if we compare it to
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                                                                                     MR. MIKE PAQUE: Thanks. Thank you.
     some of the payments seem to be delayed a little bit. But
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                 MR. MIKE PAQUE: Uh-huh.
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                 MS. KATHY AEBISCHER: And that's Air Quality
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                 MR. MARK BARTON: Thank you.
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                 MS. KATHY AEBISCHER: Uh-huh.
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                 MR. JIMMY KINDER: Kathy, I guess you did a
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the challenging reporting and accreditation requirements. 2 It would also free up current technical staff to focus on analytical assignments rather than splitting their time between the bench and data management. 5

This position would approve the efficiency of workloads for laboratory staff as well as data quality, traceability and reporting times. So these three positions, with salary and benefits, would cost \$281,116.

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Go to the next slide. And for our Environmental Complaints and Local Services Division, they're requesting one additional environmental specialist to help offset the elimination of four positions that we've lost since 2017. And due to this loss of staff, ECLS has had to reduce the number of local offices and decrease the inspection frequency.

15 And then they've scaled back on the on-site septic system oversight. And even with these reductions, their staffing model indicates that ECLS will need two more full-time employees. And funding this position would enhance responsiveness to technical assistance and complaints, license certification turnaround, assistance to small communities with dripping water, wastewater, and solid waste problems, and will assist them in responding to natural and manmade disaster. So the cost of this position, 24 salary and benefits, would be \$84,942.

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Next slide, please. The Water Division would like to 2 request two additional environmental programs specialists to be in the public water supply compliance section. These positions would assist small communities in Oklahoma with 5 monitoring and reporting requirements for public water supplies under the Safe Drinking Water Act, and emphasis on compliance with the new Federal Lead and Copper Rule. So 8 these positions would cost, salaries, benefits, and 9 additional training, \$190,000.

If we go to the next slide, in the Public Water Supply Capacity Development section, they're requesting one environmental program specialist. This program includes water loss audits, the leak detection, rate-setting training, asset management.

This position would increase the ability for DEO to work more systems in the Governor's Strategic Alliance effort. This includes other agencies as Oklahoma Secretary of Energy Environment, Oklahoma Water Resource Board, and the Oklahoma Rural Water Association. The cost for this position, salary, benefits, additional training, is \$95,000.

And if we go to the next slide. So in summary, DEQ 22 staff would like to propose that we request additional funds in the amount of 838,467. And with our current general fund appropriation of 7,188,879, this would bring the total FY 2022 general fund budget request to 8,027,346.

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1 Is there any questions on this request? 2 MR. JIMMY KINDER: I'll ask the Board to weigh in on any thoughts about the proposed budget. 3 DR. TRACY HAMMON: The question on the 4

5 positions -- this is Tracy Hammon -- are these open positions that have been held off on being backfilled to 6

this point, or are these new positions?

MS. KATHY AEBISCHER: These would be brand-new positions, because we cannot afford them at this time. So it would be funded with general appropriations. If it's not approved by the legislature, we couldn't fill these positions.

13 MR. SCOTT THOMPSON: This is Scott Thompson. 14 Kathy, we have the FTEs in existence, but we have not 15 funded them in recent years.

MS. KATHY AEBISCHER: Correct.

MR. SCOTT THOMPSON: Correct?

MS. KATHY AEBISCHER: Correct.

DR. TRACY HAMMON: Thank you.

MR. JIMMY KINDER: Any more questions from the

21 Board? I'll give everybody a little bit of time.

(No audible response.)

MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. We're going to try to

24 have some questions and comments. Any questions or comments 25 by the public?

1 MS. CHRISTINA HAGENS: Yeah. Any members of the public wishing to speak on what we just heard, you will you use the "raise hand" function to indicate that you would 4 like to speak. And so like I said earlier, you will find

this under the participant's tab. So you'll click where it

says "participants." And at the very bottom, it will say,

"Raise hand." So if you would like to speak, please raise your hand and we will begin calling on you.

And if you're calling in on the telephone to raise your hand, please press star 9.

(No audible response.)

12 MS. CHRISTINA HAGENS: I'm not seeing amyone yet, 13 but we will wait a little bit and give people time to 14

15 So if you're calling in, just remember to press star 9 16 to raise your hand. Still not seeing any hands raised. 17 We'll give it a few more seconds here.

18 MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. I know when you're 19 trying to use technology to get in or it's not working, and it's just so frustrating when you can't -- you can't get in. 20

21 We just want to make sure we give ample time for everyone 22

23 And then if the Board has thought of anything, too, 24 please, you're welcome to weigh in here, too. 25

MS. CHRISTINA HAGENS: We've had a couple more

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1	Page 42 participants join since we've started this public comment	1	Page year.
2	period. So I will say anyone wishing to give a comment or	2	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Yeah, the budget request.
3	ask a question on the record, please raise your hand and we	3	MR. SCOTT THOMPSON: Yeah.
4	will call on you.	4	MR. JIMMY KINDER: I probably said it wrong.
5	MR. JIMMY KINDER: And this is per the budget	5	DR. SHANNON FERRELL: Shannon Ferrell. I'd
6	request.	6	clarify. I'd add that clarification to my motion.
7	(No audible response.)	7	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Shannon, we get to count hal:
8	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Christina, I think that we've	8	a mile on my program just watching you, so just letting you
9	probably given ample time for someone to weigh in and we've	9	know.
.0	not heard anyone. If that's	10	Any more discussion on the we have a motion in from
1	MS. CHRISTINA HAGENS: I agree.	11	of us and a second. Any discussion? Any discussion?
12	MR. JIMMY KINDER: You've not seen anybody.	12	(No audible response.)
13	Okay. Thank you.	13	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Hearing none, Quiana, we'll
4	Next is an action possible to address the proposed	14	see if you can get urmuted and we'll have a roll-call vote.
5	budget from the Board. I guess I'm looking for a some	15	MR. ROB SINGLETARY: Mr. Chairman, this
16	type of action from you guys.	16	is Rob Singletary. Just wanted to let you know that Quiana
17	DR. SHANNON FERRELL: Shannon Ferrell, I'd move	17	was having some technical difficulties, so she's joined me
18	to approve the budget as proposed.	18	in my office.
19	MR. TIM MUNSON: Tim Munson seconds.	19	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. Very good.
20	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Tim Munson, I think, has got	20	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Barton.
21	a second.	21	MR. MARK BARTON: Yes.
22	Any more discussion about the proposed budget before we	22	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Easton.
23	send it over and vote on it?	23	MR. JOHN EASTON: Yes.
24	MR. SCOTT THOMPSON: This is Scott Thompson.	24	MS. OUIANA FIELDS: Dr. Ferrell.
25	We're actually talking about the budget requests for next	25	DR. SHANNON FERRELL: Yes.
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1	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Griesel.	1	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Motion passed.
2	MR. DAVID GRIESEL: Yes.	2	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. Thank you very much.
3	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Dr. Hammon.	3	We have a motion request or a request for a new budget.
4	DR. TRACY HAMMON: Yes.	4	Thank you very much to everyone that put that together. An
5	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Hirshey.	5	all those numbers don't just jump onto the page. A lot of
6	MR, KEN HIRSHEY: Yes.	6	digging and gnashing of teeth goes into trying to get the
7	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Ms. Kindrick.	7	proposed budget together, so thank you for all of that.
8	MS. KINDRICK: Yes.	8	We're going to move on to item number eight. And I
9	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Ms. Kunze.	9	just ask Rob Singletary, our General Counsel, if he could
10	MS. JAN KUNZE: Yes.		
11		10	just kind of give us a broad-strokes overview of the
12	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Mason.	11	McGirt vs. Oklahoma landmark Supreme Court case and how that
	MR. STEVE MASON: Mason, yes.	12	ruling could potentially not impact or impact DEQ.
13	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Munson.	13	MR. ROB SINGLETARY: Yes, sir.
14	MR. TIM MUNSON: Yes.	14	MR. JIMMY KINDER: Rob.
15	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Paque.	15	MR. ROB SINGLETARY: Good morning, Mr. Chairman
16	MR. MIKE PAQUE: Yes.	16	members of the Board. As the Chairman has indicated, I've
17	MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Sims. Mr. Sims.	17	been asked to provide a brief update on the status of
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18	MR. JIMMY KINDER: I see him. It's still muted	18	
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18 19 20	MR. JIMMY KINDER: I see him. It's still muted or it's on mute. Mr. Sims. MR. BILLY SIMS: Yes.	19 20	referred to as "Indian Country." As Mr. Kinder mentioned, we did have and I'm sure
18 19 20 21	MR. JIMMY KINDER: I see him. It's still muted or it's on mute. Mr. Sims. MR. BILLY SIMS: Yes. MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Okay. And I Mr. Sims,	19 20 21	referred to as "Indian Country." As Mr. Kinder mentioned, we did have and I'm sure most of you are aware, there was a very significant
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involved issues that are related to the Major Crimes Act, and the case primarily focused on the issue of whether the 3 defendant's crimes were committed in what is termed "Indian Country."

5 For those of you who aren't familiar, "Indian County" is a term that's defined by federal statute to include, among other things, all lands within the limits of any Indian reservation.

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In McGirt, the Court determined that the Creek Reservation, here in Oklahoma, was never disestablished by Congress and, therefore, it still exists. And as a result, the reservation then, by definition, is considered to be Indian Country.

Again, that case only dealt -- or dealt specifically, I 15 should say, with the Creek Reservation. However, if you apply that same rationale, you could reach a similar conclusion that the reservations of the Cherokee Nation, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, the Chickasaw Nation, and the 18 Seminole Nation were similarly not disestablished by Congress and currently exist. Now, that determination was 20 21 not made by the Court. But if you follow that same rationale, that's a conclusion that could be made

23 potentially. 24 In light of that, the question, of course, then

25 becomes: To what extent does the State maintain

Page 48 Typically, under the Constitution, these federal 1 statutes preempt State law, and as such, the federal 2 environmental programs are either implemented, as you know, 3 directly by EPA or by a corresponding state agency, like the 5 DEQ, through a federally-approved program.

The reason that's significant is typically when EPA approves a state program, it describes the geographic extent to which the specific program applies. Any approval, at least here in Oklahoma, typically contains a provision indicating that the approval does not extend to the implementation of that specific program in Indian County.

So, obviously, this is pretty significant when it comes to a Supreme Court decision making a determination as to what a reservation status is when we're determining the extent to which our environmental programs are applicable.

It's important to mention that at this time, since there are no tribal regulatory environmental programs in 17 these areas that have been approved by EPA, the question 19 becomes whether environmental programs in these areas, 20 within the state of Oklahoma, are implemented by federal government or by the State of Oklahoma, which takes me to 22 the last item on this update. And that has to do with a 23 request that was submitted by the State, under the Governor's signature, on July 22nd of this year.

So we've got the Supreme Court decision came out on

jurisdiction in these areas?

Obviously, the Court's decision, at the very least, raises some questions to what extent the State's environmental programs apply in these areas of the state.

5 So that takes me to the second item on the update. So

the first item was the McGirt case. The second item is Executive Order Number 20-20-24. So because of the

questions that arose, or are arising as a result of the

Court's decision, the Governor, back on July 20th, issued Executive Order Number 2020-24, which requires all State 10

11 agencies to submit a detailed report by the end of the month -- by the end of this month, September 30th.

This report is required to specify the areas and the extent to which the agencies anticipate impacts from the McGirt decision. In compliance with that order, we, the DEQ, are preparing a report to submit by the end of the month.

One of the most significant potential impacts, that we've identified through our review, relates to our federally-delegated programs. So as most of you are familiar, the vast majority of environmental regulatory programs in Oklahoma, and throughout the country, are governed by federal environmental statutes like the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

July 9th. We've got the Executive Order that came out on July the 20th. And then on July 22nd, the State of Oklahoma

requested approval from the EPA to administer all approved

environmental programs in areas of the State that are

considered Indian Country pursuant to some federal legislation that was passed back in 2015.

This legislation specifically pertains to the State of Oklahoma and allows the State to administer environmental programs in Indian Country if the State is approved to administer those same environmental programs in other 11 non-Indian Country areas of the state.

So if we have an approved program that's implemented throughout the State and we make the request, then this legislation would allow the State to implement that same program in areas of Indian Country.

This legislation was a part of the 2005 Transportation Bill. It's referred to, in short form, as SAFETEA, the full name of the legislation is the Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act of 2005. So this has been on the books for quite awhile.

I should point out that the SAFETEA, this legislation, allows the State to actually request to implement environmental programs in all of Indian Country. However, the State's request, on July 22nd, only requested approval to implement these programs to the same extent that those

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     programs were implemented prior to the McGirt decision.
                                                                                    MR. JIMMY KINDER: Thank you, Rob.
          In other words, the State did not seek approval to
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     implement environmental programs on tribal trust lands
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     throughout the state.
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         The current status is that the State is awaiting a
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    response, a formal response from EPA on that SAFETEA
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     request, and we don't really have a timeline as of yet as to
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     how that request is going to be processed and when a
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     decision is going to be reached.
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         So the current status, for DEQ purposes, although we
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    have a lot of uncertainty that's been created by the McGirt
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                                                                        hands, thankfully, and we're just going to stand by and try
    decision, as we await a response from the EPA on our
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    SAFETEA, or on the State's SAFETEA request, and as the
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    Governor and the Attorney General and the Tribes work toward
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    a more permanent resolution on the jurisdictional issues,
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    DEQ continues to operate as usual in all areas of the state,
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    continuing to work with EPA, the Tribes, and all the
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    stakeholders continue to protect human health and the
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    environment throughout Oklahoma.
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         So, obviously, Mr. Chairman, members of the Board, this
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    is a -- a fluid change -- a fluid situation constantly
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     changing. As we get more information or more decisions
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    become available, of course, we'll continue to provide
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    updates to you guys on an ongoing basis.
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         Thank you, Mr. Kinder.
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                MR. DAVID GRIESEL: Mr. Chairman, I'd make a
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                                                                                    DR. TRACY HAMMON: Yes.
     motion for approval.
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                MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. We have a motion to
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                                                                                    MR. KEN HIRSHEY: Yes.
     approve the proposed dates and times and places.
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                MR. BILLY SIMS: Mr. Chairman, I'd second the
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                                                                                    MS. KINDRICK: Yes.
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     motion. Bill Sims.
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                MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. We've got a motion and
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     a second. So what I'll ask for is some discussion.
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                MR. ROB SINGLETARY: Can we clarify who made the
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     original motion?
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                MR. DAVID GRIESEL: David Griesel.
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                MR. ROB SINGLETARY: Thank you, Mr. Griesel.
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                MR. DAVID GRIESEL: Thank you.
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                MR. JIMMY KINDER: Hearing no discussion, I
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     guess I will ask for Quiana to have a roll-call vote,
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     please.
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                MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Barton.
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                                                                                    MR. JIMMY KINDER: Yes.
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                MR. MARK BARTON: Yes.
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                MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Easton.
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                                                                                    MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. Thank you very much
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                MR. JOHN EASTON: Yes.
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                                                                        for those dates and please enter those into your calendar.
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                MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Dr. Ferrell.
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                DR. SHANNON FERRELL: Yes.
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                                                                       is scheduled for November the 10th. It's supposed to be in
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                MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Griesel.
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                                                                       Oklahoma City.
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                MR. DAVID GRIESEL: Yes.
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                MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Dr. Hammon.
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                MR. ROB SINGLETARY: -- new business on the
                                                                        adjournment. So do I hear a motion to adjourn?
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     Agenda, as well.
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                MR. JIMMY KINDER: Oh, excuse me. Excuse me. I
                                                                                    DR. TRACY HAMMON: Second, Tracy Hammon.
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     did jump that. Sorry. Point of order.
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         Do we have any new business?
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                MR. JIMMY KINDER: I don't hear any new
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    business.
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         Now we'll go to -- we'll skip to number 11. Thank you
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     for catching that. I did jump that and you heard me.
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                                                                                    MR. JOHN EASTON: Yes.
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         Our next meeting is November the 10th, 2020. Right now
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     we're going to try really hard to have it in person because
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                                                                                    DR. SHANNON FERRELL: Yes.
     we've got some things that we've got to actually put off at
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                                                                                    MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Griesel.
     this meeting knowing it would be hard to do.
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                                                                                    MR. DAVID GRIESEL: Yes.
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         One of them is the evaluation of our director and input
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    for him, and some rulemaking, and probably a few other
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                                                                                    DR. TRACY HAYMON: Yes.
     things. So I anticipate to roll your sleeves up and we will
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     do -- try to get whatever we can do that's appropriate, as
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                                                                                    MR. KEN HIRSHEY: Yes.
     far as Covid. And -- and we've been actually looking at
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    kind of maybe some alternative sites to have more square
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     footage, if we need to -- if we need to do so.
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         And comments about the next meeting from the Board?
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                MR. JIMMY KINDER: Very good then.
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         I had the last item to act on from the Board is our
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                                                                                    MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Munson.
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                                                                                    MR. JIMMY KINDER: If you would, please, and
                 MR. TIM MUNSON: Yes.
                                                                        that just indulges us a little bit. And if we still don't
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                MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Paque.
                                                                        have anyone, then that -- so be it. But I just wanted to
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                MR. MIKE PAQUE: Yes, Paque.
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                MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Sims.
                                                                        allowed to weigh in on the public forum. Go ahead.
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                MR. BILLY SIMS: Yes.
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                MS. OUIANA FIELDS: Mr. Kinder.
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                                                                        wish to speak during this public forum, you will indicate as
                MR. JIMMY KINDER: Yes.
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                MS. QUIANA FIELDS: Motion passed.
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                MR. JIMMY KINDER: Okay. Thank you very much,
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     Board. We stand adjourned.
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                 (Board meeting adjourned 11:00 a.m.)
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                 MR. JIMMY KINDER: And then we're going to move
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     right out of adjournment into our public forum segment. And
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         Do we have anyone signed up to have comments?
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                                                                        have some time to speak on the record.
                MS. CHRISTINA HAGENS: No. We did not have any
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    responses on the poll that indicated people wanted to speak.
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                MR. JIMMY KINDER: Would it be appropriate to
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    leave a little bit of time in case someone wanted to -- to
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    do that, so -- and if we did, then I'm just going to make
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                                                                                    MR. JIMMY KINDER: While they're doing that,
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     sure everyone -- we're inclusive to everyone here in case
                                                                        maybe save some time, I'm going to go ahead and read the
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    someone came in a little bit late.
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                                                                        script that was given to me so that we can get that out of
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                MS. CHRISTINA HAGENS: Yes. We've had a number
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24 of people join since that first poll, so we can go over the
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